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Journal - Office of Legislative Counsel Page 5 Friday - 21 September 1972 15. Met with Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee Staff, and left with him the latest reserve withdrawal letter dated 21 September 1973. I briefed him on the facts pertaining to this reserve withdrawal but left no briefing papers with him. McConnell expressed an interest in the success of the program and said that he might be in touch with us further on this. I left with McConnell the summary page from the OSR publication entitled,"Soviet Military Planning: Origins and Outlines of a 5 Year Defense Plan." McConnell expressed interest in the complete intelligence report on this subject and I told him I would make it available for his perusal. McConnell mentioned that he had received a very nice letter from Mr. Colby in response to his note regarding our visit to field installations in Europe last month. I mentioned to McConnell that the Director met with Senator Fulbright recently and the Senator had asked him what the figure was for the CIA budget. I told McConnell that Colby had not given the figure to Fulbright but might want to talk with Senator McClellan about giving it to Fulbright. 25X1A JOHN M. MAURY Legislative Counsel cc: O/DDCI